prepared by the Police at the time when the dead body was recovered from the well?

Rao Sahib M. Narayana Menon (*Commissioner of Police*): (*a*) Yes. At 11-45 a. m. on 28th Mithunam 1113.

At 1-20 p. m. on 28th Mithunam 1113.

(*b*) At 4-30 p. m. on 28th Mithunam 1113, in the Civil Hospital, Trichur.

Mr. M. Rama Menon, Assistant Surgeon, Civil Hospital, Trichur.

"Probably asphyxia due to drowning".

(*c*) No.

Besides making searching enquiries by the local Police a photograph of the dead body was taken and re-printed in the Cochin Crime & Occurrence Sheet which is circulated among the Police throughout the Madras Presidency and Ceylon. The neighbouring stations in British and Travancore were also addressed direct and enquiries made through them also proved futile.

(*d*) Copy of the inquest report is placed on the table (*Vide Appendix V*).

VILLAGE VIGILANCE COMMITTEE—TALAPPALLI TALUK.

56. Mr. C. V. Iyyu (*Kunnamkulam*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table:—

(*a*) the present list of the Village Vigilance Committee Members of the whole of Talappalli Taluk;

(*b*) the date on which the period of each one is to expire?

Rao Sahib M. Narayana Menon (*Commissioner of Police*): (*a*) List is appended (*Vide Appendix VI*).

(*b*) No period is fixed for the membership.

TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE—VILLAGE OFFICERS.

57. Mr. C. V. Iyyu (*Kunnamkulam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the amount of T. A. and D. A., eligible for (*i*) the Parvathiams, (*ii*) Menons, (*iii*) Village Peons, (*iv*) Village Masapadies and (*v*) the Peons in other Departments excepting process servers of Civil Courts;

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(*b*) whether the Government has any special rule for going to the Treasury for (*i*) Village Officers (*ii*) Peons in different Departments (*iii*) Masapadies in each Department;

(*c*) if the answer is in the affirmative, the rate of batta, allowances, etc., in each case;

(*d*) whether there is any difference in the rate of batta, etc., paid in different Departments for employees of the same grade referred to above in (*b*)?

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Comptroller of Finance and Accounts*):

(*a*) T. A. includes daily allowance also. The rates admissible to the Government servants mentioned in (*i*) to (*v*) are given below.*

(*b*) There is no special rule except that the Village officers and other Government servants mentioned in Appendix B, C. S. R., will not be allowed T. A. other than actual Railway or boat fare for journeys within a radius of 10 miles within their jurisdictions.

(*c*) Does not arise.

(*d*) No such distinction is made in the rules except as mentioned in the answers (*a*) and (*b*) above and except when modification or restrictions are enforced on administrative grounds.

***Rates of T. A. when on tour.**

	Ry. fare.	*D. A.*	*Mileage rate.*	*Bus fare.*
Superior (Officer above Rs. 15)	1½ III	0 8 0	0 2 0	nil
Inferior	Single III	0 6 0	0 1 0	Actual
Menial servants attached to Diwan's Personal Office	do.	0 6 0	0 1 4	do.

SALE OF OPIUM—1111, 1112, 1113 AND 1114 M. E.

58. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (*Ezhuvas-Talappalli*): Will the Government be pleased to furnish the following particulars with regard to the opium sale of the years 1111, 1112, 1113, 1114 M. E. separately;

(*a*) the quantity of opium distributed to the contractors from the Central Stores;

(*b*) the amount realised as rental of opium shops from the contractors (in case of 1114, the rental fixed for the year is enough).

(*c*) the names of contractors who bid the shops?

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